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President's Message

As measured by the warmth of these past few weeks in February, it seems like spring is knocking at our doors quite early this year. For a good number of those few bitterly cold days we did have this winter where one just did not feel like facing the outside temperatures and wind, I did take the opportunity to catch up on my hobby reading – including a re-read of the introduction to William Sheldon's *Penny Whimsy*. I heartily encourage all to continue any expansion or refresh of knowledge in your favored areas of coin collecting.



MSNA is again preparing to participate in the Whitman Baltimore Spring Expo to be held March 30 through April 2 at the Baltimore Convention Center. Visit <http://expo.whitman.com/baltimore-spring-expo/> for the show schedule of events and meetings. For those planning on displaying a numismatic exhibit during this show, contact MSNA Secretary Bryce Doxzon for an exhibit application and exhibitor information. Related to the Whitman Baltimore Coin and Currency Expo to be held in November 2017 is the business of distributing and selling our annual MSNA raffle tickets. I recently sent out raffle tickets to all the MSNA member clubs. Please make a reasonable effort to sell these tickets and return our share of the proceeds. The four raffle prizes this year include a commemorative silver dollar, foreign gold piece, and two US gold pieces. Please contact your club or MSNA directly if you are looking to buy a couple of tickets for the annual raffle that will be drawn November 12 at the Whitman Expo.

Distribution of this issue of the *Maryland Numismatist* will occur shortly after our February MSNA Board meeting. The MSNA Board will focus on the way ahead to further engage our member clubs in the Association's activities and purpose. I have prepared a draft membership survey that I will distribute after Board comment and approval.

I received an email yesterday from the U.S. Mint confirming my order and shipment of the 2017 Lions Club Centennial silver dollar (at the introductory price offer). The \$10 per coin surcharge to support the Lions Clubs International groups is money well spent. Have a great springtime and do what you can to support your local coin club.

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Larry Goldman, 1936-2016

Lawrence Goldman was born to Ted and Sophye Goldman on May 6, 1936. He received his Bachelor's at the School of Medicine of Tufts University in 1958, and his Ph.D. from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1964. He served as Professor of Physiology at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County campus. He passed away on November 25, 2016 at age 80, and is survived by his wife Stacey Lynn Goldman (nee Davis), daughter Ann Giroux, and granddaughters Katherine E. Giroux and Sarah Abigail Giroux.

He collected early U.S. type coins and was a long-time member of the Baltimore Coin Club. Larry joined MSNA in 1999 and became life member 65. After MSNA held its last coin show in 2008, the Board decided to reinvent the Association to dedicate itself primarily to education using a three-prong approach. The journal would carry articles of greater numismatic scholarship, and MSNA would use the Whitman Baltimore Expos to host the educational exhibit competition and lectures. Larry arranged for six distinguished speakers at the Summer show from 2009-14. The series was halted after both the attendance and Larry's health waned.



Lawrence Goldman watching David Schenkman's talk at the Baltimore Convention Center on June 27, 2014.

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We also note with sadness the passing of Jerri Long, wife of Jim E. Long who is MSNA life member 84. Jim runs JEL Coins of Baltimore.



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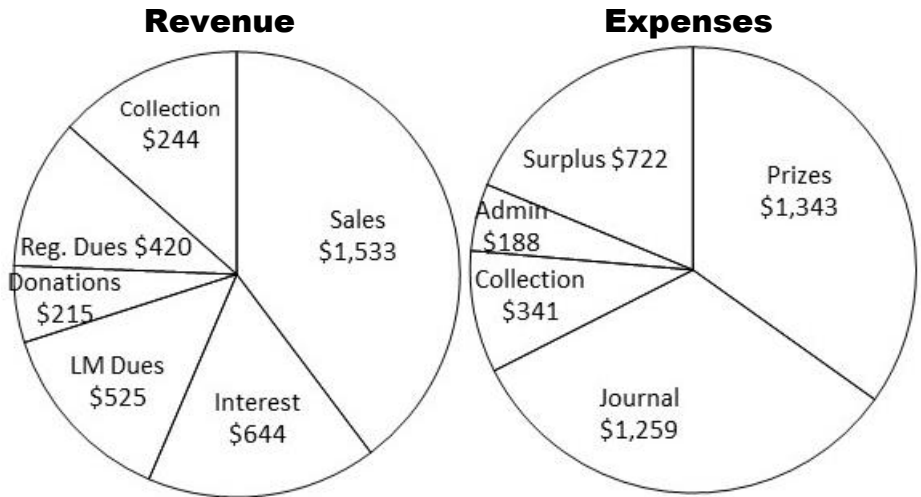
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Treasury Notes by Simcha Kuritzky, Treasurer and Editor

Below are two pie charts that show our results for fiscal year 2016 (ended November 30). Each circle represents the same number of dollars; because we had more revenue than expense, the difference is shown as a surplus at the top left of the expenses pie chart.



The largest impact of using accrual versus cash basis of accounting is on life memberships--revenues earned for life membership are from payments received years ago, so regular dues and life membership dues are shown separately. Sales are just raffle tickets. Journal expenses include printing, postage, and the web site hosting fee. Prize expense includes raffle, exhibit, and door prizes at meetings. Gold prizes have gone down enough to save us some money, but not enough for us to restore the old prizes for exhibits and the raffle. The cost of printing raffle tickets is included with the raffle ticket prizes, while the advertising underwriting the ticket printing makes up the bulk of donations revenue. Administrative expenses include meeting room rental. Expenses associated with the John Henry collection include the safe deposit box rental and insurance.

We do not have a Vice President this year, and so we don't know if we will have a President next year. If MSNA no longer serves a purpose, we will dissolve the organization. We have enough money to refund the unused portion of all life memberships. Once we sell the Henry collection, we can donate the proceeds to member clubs and other numismatic organizations and endeavors.

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Membership Report

The MSNA by-laws require the treasurer to prepare an annual report on the membership. I am also giving the report for all years back to 2010.

MSNA has six types of membership. Regular, club and junior members must pay each year. Life, club life, and honorary life members are inducted once and stay members until they pass away, the club is dissolved, or they resign. Honorary life members become life members immediately, while regular and club life members must be a member in good standing the three years previous. So the only changes to life membership are new members and deceased members, while regular members can join, renew (which can be paid in advance or arrears), lapse, or return after a lapse of at least one year.

Our 2016 membership is the lowest yet, though we have already picked up several new members for 2017. We had 137 members in 2007, the year before our last coin show.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Regular							
New	4	7	3	4	3	1	1
Renewed	46	48	43	41	40	36	31
Returned	3		1	4	2	1	4
Convert to LM	-1	-1	-2		-2	-3	
Lapsed	-7	-4	-10	-6	-7	-6	-7
Total	53	55	47	49	45	38	36

Note: Total = New + Renewed + Returned = Previous
Total + New + Returned – Convert to LM – Lapsed

Life							
Begin	65	67	66	67	67	69	70
Honorary	1	1	1				
New	2	1	1	2	2	3	1
Deceased	-1	-3	-1	-2		-2	-1
End	67	66	67	67	69	70	70
Combined	120	121	114	116	114	108	106

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Domingo Faustino Sarmiento

by Ricardo Méndez Barozzi



Domingo Faustino Sarmiento was born in the city of San Juan, Argentina on February 15, 1811. He's one of two Argentinean presidents who were honored on a coin; the other is his life-long rival Justo José de Urquiza. Mr. Sarmiento was part of *la generación del 37* (a group of enthusiastic young Romanticists) who formed the *Unitario* party in opposition to Juan Manuel de Rosas' ruling Federal Party. Rosas exiled Sarmiento to Chile where he served as education minister. He travelled much of the globe in his job, including the U.S., Europe, and the Middle East. He was also a 33rd degree Freemason.

In 1852, an alliance of *Unitarios*, Federals, and troops from Brazil and Uruguay deposed Rosas in the battle of Caseros. Rosas escaped on February 3 to England where he lived until his death in 1877. Soon, the alliance broke and the country was divided into *el Gobierno de Buenos Aires* headed by Bartolomé Mitre, and *La Confederación Argentina* headed by Justo José de Urquiza. At first Sarmiento was close to the Buenos Aires government, but after a dispute, he returned to Chile.



10 Centavos, 1884 Sarmiento on face

In 1855, Sarmiento came back to join Mitre's government in Buenos Aires. In 1861 after some battles, Buenos Aires defeated *La Confederación Argentina* and Mitre was elected the first president of the

Republic of Argentina. Sarmiento served his government in a number of positions including Education Minister and Ambassador to the US., Chile, and Peru. He also served as governor of his native province of San Juan.

In 1865, Argentina joined with Brazil and Uruguay to fight Paraguay in the Triple Alliance War. This long conflict claimed Sarmiento's adoptive son, Dominguito, in the Curupaytí Battle. This was probably the cause of friction between President Mitre and Sarmiento, who was serving as ambassador in Washington at this time.



25 pesos coin 1968 commemorating the centennial of his election as president



In 1868, he was elected president as he returned from the U.S. During his administration, Argentina and her allies won the war against Paraguay, and Sarmiento expanded public education to include girls in 1873, and also promoted immigration, the development of the sciences, expansion of railways, and the creation of the Zoo and the Botanic Garden in Buenos Aires. However, his legacy is mixed because he used force against resistance movements by gauchos and indigenous peoples. He preferred European immigrants like those in the U.S, a country he admired. An indication of his great relationship with the American people is a statue of Sarmiento in Boston.

After his presidency, he supported his predecessor Nicolás Avellaneda who had been his Minister of Education, then he failed to be re-elected in 1880. He died September 11, 1888 in Asunción, Paraguay. This date is memorialized in Argentina as Teachers' day. He was survived by his daughter Ana and six grandchildren.

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Just Two Gold Pieces – Two Big Gold Pieces

by Mark Benvenuto, MSNA R825

We all approach collecting from different angles with different aims and different ideas. One idea most of us seem to share, though, is that it would be amazing to be able to collect double eagles – the \$20 gold pieces made from 1849 all the way to 1933. Yet almost all of us realize just how much money that would take. But what if we just try to collect the most minimal \$20 gold piece collection of all? What would it take for us to collect a single Coronet Head double eagle and a single St. Gaudens double eagle? Let's find out.

Both the Coronet Head and the St. Gaudens double eagle series have an astonishing rarity or two in them. With the Coronet Head pieces it comes right at the beginning with a grand total mintage for 1849 of one coin. Yep, that's all, that's the whole kit and caboodle – one double eagle. Even if we are sleeping on a mattress made of money, this one can't be collected, as it sits comfortably in the Smithsonian Institution. But let's not worry about that. Let's look in some detail at what can be called the common Coronet double eagles.



By 1850, the Philadelphia Mint had ramped up its output of double eagles to more than 1.1 million. The branch facility in New Orleans even anted up 141,000 more 1850-O double eagles. And these mintages were far surpassed in the next few years, when \$20 gold pieces from Philly came out to the tune of over 2 million per year for at least a couple of years. But topping them all by a wide margin are the 1904 and 1904-S output, at

6,256,699 and 5,134,175 coins respectively. By any stretch, that's a lot of double eagles – which in turn means those are some very common coins.

So, with those big numbers in hand, we need to see how low a number we can find when it comes to price. For the most common of the Coronet double eagles, in a grade like MS-60, we'll need to spend no less than \$1,550 for our first coin in this duet collection.

Okay, if you have never spent more than \$50 for any coin in your collection, that price would definitely give you sticker shock. Take a deep breath and remember this coin contains 0.9675 Troy ounces of the precious metal. When gold sells at \$1,200 per ounce, there is \$1,161 worth of it in each \$20 gold piece. Add to this the idea that even the two possibilities for 1904 are more than 100 years old, and our \$1,550 price tag is not some absurdly high number. No, the trick is to figure out how to save up for it.

A wise question to ask is: Can you save \$30 per week for a year? To do that, think about what you make, what you spend, and what you could cut out of your spending. If you can save \$30 per week for a year, that comes to \$1,560. That's the price of our double eagle, and that is definitely worth thinking about.



Moving to our next double eagle, the St. Gaudens design, means moving to a series that is bracketed by rarities. The Roman numeral dates of 1907 qualify as furiously expensive. A second type, the Arabic numeral 1907 and 1908 without In God We Trust are just as affordable as the third type which runs from 1908 to the end of the series. The tail end of the series also has a rarity though, because the 1933 double eagles have been targeted by the Secret Service for seizure and return to the Treasury.

Yeoman's *A Guide Book of United States Coins* states that 13 of these final double eagles are known – and it's a fair bet we'll never get the chance to own one. But the common dates? Well, yes, there are plenty of them that we might join with our Coronet piece to make a dynamic duo.



Some of the most common dates and mintmarks within the St. Gaudens series fall in the 1920's, including the all-time high of any double eagle, the 1928, with 8,816,000 to its official tally. Aficionados of the series know that it's a bit tough to gauge what is actually common in this series because there was a big melt of gold in the 1930's. Still, 8.8 million is a lot of double eagles, and that is only one date and mint mark. In short, there are still some common St. Gaudens \$20 gold pieces.

When it comes to purchase prices, there is good news here, in that once again an MS-60 piece can run as low as \$1,550. Thus, the same math we just laid out for our Coronet double eagle works here as well. It might take you two years to do it, but it appears that you could have the smallest type set possible of \$20 gold pieces without flattening your wallet.

One final note, as we think about these sorts of purchases. There are cheaper double eagles if we go down in grade. There are also much more expensive ones if we choose to look higher up on the mint state totem pole, as it were. What we have done here is try to find a compromise between cost and grade that will get us coins we might consider affordable while still looking really nice. And so, the best of luck to any and all who take the plunge, to see if we can indeed assemble a duet of double eagles.

Local News



MSNA Secretary **Bryce Doxzon** was inducted as a Numismatic Ambassador at the Florida United Numismatists show in January in Ft. Lauderdale. Krause Publications started the Numismatic Ambassador program back in 1974 and David Harper of KP handed the plaques to the new ambassadors. At the same FUN show, MSNA Treasurer **Simcha Kuritzky** placed three exhibits. His exhibit on Middle Eastern *pidyon haben* (redemption of the firstborn son) ingots won third place in medals and tokens, and his exhibit on feline species on modern coins and fantasies won second place in world coins. The ingots exhibit won first place at the MSNA exhibit in 2015. An earlier version of the felines exhibit was shown at the MSNA competition in 2009 but failed to win an award.



The **Washington Numismatic Society** held their semi-annual pot-luck dinner in December, and reviewed the FUN and New York International shows in January. Local collector Robert Hale gave a talk entitled *Small Coins Tell Big Stories* at the February meeting. At the March 21 meeting, local dealer Julian Leidman will talk on the state of the hobby.

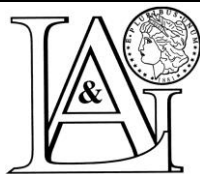
The **Montgomery County Coin Club** held their annual charity auction in December and raised \$1200 for the Potomac Chapter BSA. In January, Gerald Grzenda showed his extensive collection of U.S. presidential campaign and inauguration medals, pins, and banners. Tom Betsock spoke on the Phrygian Cap on coins in February.

On February 4, 2017, volunteers from the **Montgomery County Coin Club** assisted boy scouts from the BSA Potomac District with furthering or completing requirements for the BSA Coin Collecting Merit Badge. The 3-hour workshop in Bethesda, Maryland helped around a dozen scouts either complete the requirements for their badge or get near completion.

Coin Club Meeting Calendar (most months)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
First				Baltimore
Second	Cambridge, Colonial	Montgomery, Western Maryland	Belmar, Catonsville, Middle River	
Third	Colonial (some-times), Bel Mar	Washington Numis. Soc.		Baltimore
Fourth	Carroll County	Bowie	Middle River	MSNA Board

MSNA will have seven exhibits at the upcoming Spring Whitman Coin Expo, put in by five exhibitors, three of whom will walk away with a gold or platinum coin as a prize. Set up is Friday morning and tear down is after noon on Sunday.



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MSNA Past President **Edward Craig** visited Hawaii for the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Ed lived in Hawaii many years ago, and joined the USS Arizona memorial association which holds an annual remembrance of the ship's sinking and deaths of many crew members. For the diamond anniversary, Ed commissioned a set of medals. The two obverses show King Kamehameha III based on the 1847 cent, and the islands of Hawaii as shown on the reverse of a fantasy 1891 dollar struck in England by Pinches & Co. for collectors. The common reverse has *Remember Pearl Harbor* at top with *1941 75 years 2016* in boxes near the top. The horizontal inscriptions are in three sections. At top is *USCGC Taney (WHEC-37) Baltimore – Maryland*. In the middle is *Last ship afloat that saw action in Hawaii 7 December 1941*. At bottom is *Mahalo nui loa* (Hawaiian for thanks a lot) and the legend *Edward L. Craig*. Each medal comes in 3 finishes: red bronze, yellow brass, and white silver plate. Contact the Maryland Tokens and Medals Society for prices and where to buy them.

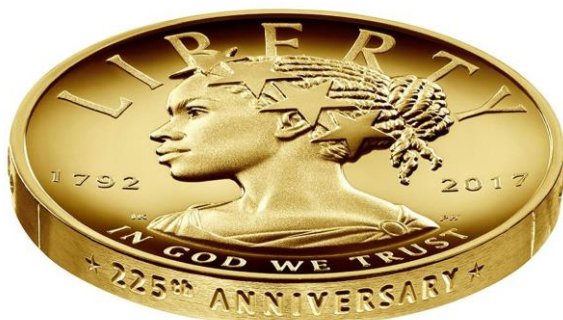
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The Philadelphia Mint Celebrates 225 Years

By Simcha Kuritzky, NLG

Although the U.S. Constitution took effect in 1789, authorization for federal coinage and a minting facility had to wait until 1792. The Mint was located in the U.S. capital city, Philadelphia. The current building is the fourth, and it will celebrate its golden anniversary in 2019.

Branch mints were not authorized until 1835, after gold was found in the southeast. Coins from these mints have always had an added mintmark of one or two letters to indicate the facility responsible, should quality issues arise. However, the Philadelphia facility, as the mother mint, did not use a mintmark for a century and a half. This is not the model used elsewhere. For example, both the Paris and Berlin Mints used A as their mintmark to indicate they were the prime facility. The letter P was added over the Monticello on Jefferson nickels of the wartime base silver composition from 1942-45. When the Susan B. Anthony dollar started production in 1979, all three mints used mintmarks (P, D, and S). The next year, the P mintmark was added to the nickel through half dollar. The cent continued to show no mintmark for two reasons: the Mint was concerned that mintmarked cents (always in short supply) might be hoarded, and some Philadelphia cents were coined at the West Point facility from 1974-86 and the Mint didn't want to use a different mintmark for them. However, that will change just for this year with a stealth commemorative: cents will show a P mintmark to honor Philadelphia's 225th anniversary. On the other end of the price spectrum, the Mint also issued a gold medal for their anniversary, the first to portray Lady Liberty as someone other than a Greek goddess.



Changes to *The Maryland Numismatist*

MSNA has been publishing a journal quarterly since 1974, though the years 1988-92 plus 1997 only saw three issues produced. Journal editor is a volunteer position, and I have many demands on my time. So, with Board approval, I am changing the journal to three times a year: spring, summer, and autumn, to correspond with the Whitman Expos in Baltimore. I will try to get the journals out a month before each show and have some extra copies to distribute at the shows. So the preliminary schedule is to issue the journals early in February, June, and October.

Advertising rates are also changing. I looked back and found we have been charging roughly the same rates since the early 1990s. So I am raising the rates roughly 20%, though since we will only have three issues per year, the annual ad rate will drop by almost 10%. The cost of producing the journal is actually lower than it was a decade ago, in part because I do all the prep work on my computer instead of paying the printing company to do it. I don't have records going back to the 1990s to tell if it cost more or less than today.

We will continue to hold the best article contest. In previous years, we judged articles in the December/Winter through September/Autumn issues, which was a bit confusing since those span two different publication years. For 2017, we will consider articles in the December/Winter 2016 through October/Autumn 2017 issues, and if the club continues, 2018 will include only the Spring/February through October/Autumn issues. As before, the editor is not eligible for the \$50 prize and there must be at least three articles by different authors under consideration for the judging to take place. If possible, the \$50 should be spent at the November (in some years, December) Whitman Expo in Baltimore.

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What's Your Sign?

Part Thirty-Five: One Ounce Art Bars

by Simcha Kuritzky, NLG

In part 34, I discussed Mexican one-ounce rounds and in part 31, I described Tentex one-ounce rounds. This time, I discuss art bars from the heyday of silver bars 1970-89. These are found in Archie Kidd's *Guide Book of Silver Art Bars*. The art bar market heated up as silver prices advanced during the inflation period of 1973-74, which coincided with greater interest in astrology in popular culture. Kidd lists five private mints that produced bars with a zodiac theme, but only four have a complete set of 12 bars.



The incomplete set of six is from Cartier Mint of Canada. Only the six Autumn and Winter signs were issued. These are listed in Kidd's book as JCM-12 through 17, though JCM-6 through 11 appear to be reserved for the remaining six signs. The horizontal obverse has the sign in a circle at right with the Latin name and dates on the left. The common reverse has the Cartier logo which is a stylized C A. The text is J S LOVE & ASSOCIATES CO. / NEW YORK / ONE OUNCE FINE SILVER 999 / 1973 / MADE / IN CANADA. The serial number is stamped near the bottom and the JCM logo in a circle is at bottom right. I only own the Libra. The Pisces photo is from Kidd's book, and the rest came from eBay lots.



The Mount Everest Mint issued a set of 12 bars in both copper and silver dated 1974. The design is displayed horizontally. There is a small sunburst pattern with the sign's sigil at seemingly random places on the obverse. A large figure for the sign dominates the rest of the bar, with the Latin name at left nearly vertical but slanting inward to the right. The reverses have a patterned background with PROOF © 1974 MEM along the bottom of the long edge. The MEM logo is designed to look like mountains. At top is either SOLID COPPER or ONE TROY OUNCE / .999 FINE SILVER. The only unusual portrayal is that Virgo is playing a lyre instead of holding a sheaf of wheat. Also, the Cancer crab is shown with the claws facing down and most medals show the claws near the top. Kidd lists these as MEM-83 through 94 but not in chronologic or alphabetic sequence. I bought the entire copper set. The silver reverse photo I took from eBay.



One of the more common types is the set from the National Mint of Canada. I own all but the Libra (that photo is from eBay). They use a distinctive vertical silhouette style but with lines so the large figure looks black on white. Above the textured square is the Latin name and below is 1OZ. TROY SILVER 999+ FINE / NATIONAL. Kidd lists these as NA-2 through 13 in chronologic sequence, but beginning with Capricorn since it includes New Year's Day. There are many reverse varieties listed under each catalog number. I just show the three I own here: blank, Maple Leaf with two other logos and PRODUCT OF CANADA small at bottom, and NC star logo with PRODUCT OF USA at bottom. Kidd's catalog lists the issue year as between 1981 (with the blank reverse) through 1989.



Another common type is from the United States Silver Corp. These are laid out horizontally with the design in an oval with a textured border filling out the rest of the rounded rectangle. A small figure appears in the center with the Latin name above, the first date on the left and the last date on the right, and the year 1973 below. The font used for the obverse is unique, with very large, curly serifs. The reverse has UNITED STATES / SILVER / CORPORATION / * * * * * / ONE TROY OUNCE / .999+ FINE. Kidd lists these as USSC-14 through 25 though in no logical order. I own eight of the bars. The photos of the Aries, Gemini, Leo and Virgo all came from eBay lots.



The Madison Mint also used a vertical format for their zodiac bars. A classical figure appears on the top half followed by the Latin Name, the dates in English, and a large sigil at bottom. The nearly blank back is horizontal with a small rounded rectangle with MADISON MINT on the top line and .999 FINE SILVER ONE OUNCE in tiny letters on the bottom line. The first Capricorn bar has the sigil upside down and only a few were sold before the Madison Mint issued the corrected version. Apparently no one noticed that the Taurus sigil is also upside down. Kidd lists these as MAD-206 through 217 in chronologic sequence but, like the Madison Mint bars, beginning with Capricorn. I only own Aries, Aquarius and Pisces. The Taurus, Leo, Virgo, and Scorpio photos are from eBay. The rest are from Kidd's book.

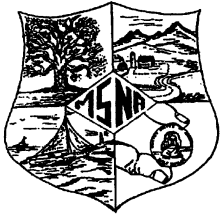
The dates for the various signs are only shown on three bar sets. The Cartier and USSC dates agree completely, but the Madison dates are mostly different.

Sign	Cartier Dates	USSC Dates	Madison Dates
Aries		Mar 21-Apr 19	Mar 21-Apr 20
Taurus		Apr 20-May 20	Apr 21-May 21
Gemini		May 21-Jun 21	May 22-Jun 21
Cancer		Jun 22-Jul 22	Jun 22-Jul 23
Leo		July 23-Aug 22	July 24-Aug 23
Virgo		Aug 23-Sep 22	Aug 24-Sep 23
Libra	Sep 23-Oct 22	Sep 23-Oct 22	Sep 24-Oct 23
Scorpio	Oct 23-Nov 22	Oct 23-Nov 22	Oct 24-Nov 22
Sagittarius	Nov 23-Dec 21	Nov 23-Dec 21	Nov 23-Dec 21
Capricorn	Dec 22-Jan 19	Dec 22-Jan 19	Dec 22-Jan 20
Aquarius	Jan 20-Feb 18	Jan 20-Feb 18	Jan 21-Feb 19
Pisces	Feb 19-Mar 20	Feb 19-Mar 20	Feb 20-Mar 20

The Kidd catalog numbers for the various signs are:

Sign	Cartier JCM-	Madison MAD-	Everest MEM-	USSC USSC-	National NA-
Aries	(6)	209	87	21	5
Taurus	(7)	210	89	23	6
Gemini	(8)	211	84	16	7
Cancer	(9)	212	88	19	8
Leo	(10)	213	92	24	9
Virgo	(11)	214	93	18	10
Libra	12	215	91	14	11
Scorpio	13	216	85	20	12
Sagittarius	14	217	86	17	13
Capricorn	15	206	94	15	2
Aquarius	16	207	90	22	3
Pisces	17	208	83	25	4

Most of these are available from dealers and the Internet. However, there are some bars that will be hard to find. The Madison Mint Capricorn upside-down sigil bar is very rare.



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